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SUBJ: WATERMAN LINES LA SALLE TO RECEIVE BUNKER PRIVILEGES

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- 1. AITKEN SPENCE, WATERMAN AGENT IN SRI LANKA, HAS ASSURED EMBASSY THAT LA SALLE BUNKERING REQUIREMENTS FOR AT LEAST 700 BARRELS (1000 TONS) WILL BE MET BY STATE PETROLEUM CORP (SPC) DURING LA SALLE STOPOVER DEC 31-JAN 4. SPC REFUSES TO MAKE UNEQUIVOCAL COMMITMENT FOR LA SALLE OR ANY OTHER REQUESTORS BUT LA SALLE FULLY MEETS CURRENT COLOMBO BUNKER REQUIREMENTS NOTED BELOW. CABLE ASSURING FUEL AVAILABILITY AND ADVISING AGAINST EMBASSY APPROACH TO SPC SENT WATERMAN DEC 12 BY AITKEN SPENCE.
- 2. ALTHOUGH GOVT CONFIDENT OF CONTINUING ADEQUATE FUEL SUPPLIES FROM ARAB SOURCES, NEW BUNKERING RESTRICTIONS ARE IN EFFECT PROBABLY BECAUSE DOMESTIC REFINING CAPACITY IS ONLY 200 TONS PER DAY. SPC STATES NON-AVAILABILITY OF FUEL ELSEWHERE HAS PUSHED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BUNKERING DEMANDS IN COLOMBO TO ESTIMATED 8000 TONS

PER DAY. SPC AT PRESENT GIVING BUNKERING PREFERENCE
TO SHIPS UNLOADING OR UPLOADING IN COLOMBO AND
OPERATING UNDER "REGULAR CONTRACT ARRANGEMENTS"
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